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Senate Resolution 926

By: Senator Rogers of the 21st

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the Georgia Chapter of the National MS Society and recognizing March 11,

- 2 2010, as Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, Multiple Sclerosis (MS) is a chronic and disabling disease of the central
- 4 nervous system in which the progression, severity, and specific symptoms cannot be
- 5 foreseen; and
- 6 WHEREAS, every hour of every day someone new is diagnosed with MS, a disease that can
- 7 erode a person's abilities and hopes, halt a career, and unravel the fabric of families; and
- 8 WHEREAS, last year in Georgia, more than \$2 million were raised to find the cure for MS,
- 9 develop effective treatments for the disease, and provide a wide range of client programs to
- 10 improve the lives of the 9,000 individuals living with MS in Georgia; and
- 11 WHEREAS, this significant monetary investment has helped to make remarkable advances
- 12 in treating MS, such as new medications which may reduce or delay future disability for
- people with MS; and
- 14 WHEREAS, research advances have brought the reality of a cure for MS closer, yet much
- 15 remains to be done, and services must continue to be provided to those who live with the
- disease; and
- 17 WHEREAS, there are public and private agencies, including the Georgia Chapter of the
- 18 National MS Society, available to serve the constantly changing needs of those with MS and
- 19 their families living in Georgia by extending essential services to all who need them; and
- 20 WHEREAS, the diligent efforts of individuals working to find a cure for MS and the brave
- 21 and courageous fight of those living with MS are worthy of recognition.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body

- 23 commend the Georgia Chapter of the National MS Society for its efforts to help "create a
- 24 world free of MS" and recognize March 11, 2010, as Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Day at
- 25 the state capitol.
- 26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 27 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Georgia Chapter of the National MS
- 28 Society.